

City of Olympia Police Department Harbor Patrol

Notice of Intent to Obtain Custody

The City of Olympia Police Department Harbor Patrol, acting as an authorized public entity with the authority granted in Chapter 79.100 RCW, intends to take custody of the following listed vessels on or about July 15, 2006: WN-9731-V Blue Note, WN-3283-NK Unnamed, WN-8456-NK Opus Dei and WN-2525-NF Pamina. The vessels have been declared derelicts and/or abandoned as defined in RCW 79.100.010(1).

Once custody is obtained, the City Of Olympia is authorized to use or dispose of the vessels in any appropriate and environmentally sound manner without further notice to the owners. The vessels will be removed from the water and placed in dry stack near the Swantown Marina Lift facility.

In order for the owner to retain custody of a vessel, the owner must obtain authorization to moor or anchor the vessel in its current location, or move it to an anchorage area or moorage facility that has authorized the vessel, or remove the vessel from the water.

If the owner wishes to redeem the vessel once the City Of Olympia has taken custody, the owner must commence a lawsuit to contest the City Of Olympia decision to take custody of the vessel, or the amount of reimbursement owed, in the municipal court of the City Of Olympia. The lawsuit must be commenced within twenty days of losing custody or the owner's right to a hearing is waived and the owner will be liable for any costs owed to City Of Olympia .

The costs the owner may be liable for include, but are not limited to, costs incurred exercising the authority granted in RCW 79.100.030, all administrative costs incurred by the authorized public entity during the procedure set forth in RCW 79.100.040, removal and disposal costs, and costs associated with environmental damages directly or indirectly caused by the vessel.

For more information regarding this action, contact City Of Olympia Police Department Harbor Patrol, by phone: (360) 753-8142; or by mail: P. O. Box 1967, Olympia, WA 98507-1967.